

APPENDIX

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 9 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1-8 and 10-25 have been amended as follows.

1. (Amended) A composite comprising a structural component and a resin component, the structural component comprising structural fibers [fibres] and a toughening additive comprising non structural thermoplastic fibers [fibres] and the resin component comprising a non-thermoplastic material, and the structural component being a preform comprising an assembly formed from the structural fibers [fibres] and the non-structural thermoplastic fibers, which are in a fiber form in the composite [fibres].

2. (Amended) The [A] composite as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the resin component is a thermosetting resin composition.

3. (Amended) The [A] composite as claimed in either Claim 1 or Claim 2, wherein the resin component is a low viscosity thermosetting resin composition.

4. (Amended) The [A] composite as claimed in [any preceding] Claim 1 or 2, wherein a [the] percentage by volume of the toughening additive in the composite is

more than 2% but less than 30%.

5. (Amended) The [A] composite as claimed in [any preceding] Claim 1 or 2, wherein a [the] volume of the toughening additive is more than 5% but less than 25%.

6. (Amended) The [A] composite as claimed in [any preceding] Claim 1 or 2, wherein a [the] volume of the toughening additive is more than 10% but less than 20%.

7. (Amended) The [A] composite as claimed in [any preceding] Claim 1 or 2, wherein the structural [reinforcement] component is provided in a [the] form of a plurality of layers of textile and at least one veil is provided between a pair of adjacent layers, the veil comprising a thin layer of woven or unwoven material.

8. (Amended) The [A] composite as claimed in [any preceding] Claim 1 or 2, wherein a [the] volume fraction of the structural fibers [fibres] in the preform is at least 65%.

9. Cancelled.

10. (Amended) A structural reinforcement for use in a composite comprising a preform which comprises a dry fibrous assembly formed from structural fibers [fibres] and non-structural thermoplastic fibers [fibres], wherein a [the] volume fraction of the structural fibers [fibres] in the preform is [being] at least 65%.

11. (Amended) The [A] structural reinforcement as claimed in Claim 10,
wherein at least some of the thermoplastic fibers [fibres] are semi-crystalline.

12. (Amended) The [A] structural reinforcement as claimed in either Claim 10
or Claim 11, further comprising a resin curing agent.

13. (Amended) The [A] structural reinforcement as claimed in Claim 12
wherein the curing agent can be activated by changing [is] temperature [activatable].

14. (Amended) The [A] structural reinforcement as claimed in Claim [any one
of Claims] 10 or 11, [to 13] wherein the preform comprises layers of textile and the
reinforcement component addition includes at least one veil between an adjacent pair of layers,
the veil being formed from a thin layer of woven or unwoven material.

15. (Amended) The [A] structural reinforcement as claimed in Claim 14,
wherein each [the] veil includes thermoplastic fibers [fibres].

16. (Amended) The [A] structural reinforcement as claimed in Claim 14, [or
Claim 15] wherein binder material is distributed on or in the veil.

17. (Amended) The [A] structural reinforcement as claimed in Claim [any one
of Claims] 14, [to 16] wherein the veil has a greater absorbency rate for resin than the structural